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SUBJECT: MODE - ACDA REQUEST TO ESTABLISH TWO ADDITIONAL  
AMERICAN POSITIONS AT GENEVA

REF: STATE 132042

1. MEMO FROM ACDA REQUESTS AUTHORITY TO ESTABLISH TWO  
ADDITIONAL ACDA AMERICAN POSITIONS (ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER  
AND SECRETARY TO THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY) FOR THE SALT  
DELEGATION. CHANGE WOULD BRING ACDA AUTHORIZED LEVEL AT  
GENEVA TO FIVE AMERICANS.

2. JUSTIFICATION SUBMITTED BY ACDA FOR THESE INCREASES  
IS THAT SALT TALKS ARE EXPECTED TO CONTINUE AT AN INTENSE  
PACE FOR THE FORESEEABLE FUTURE. THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
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HAS ESTABLISHED ONE PERMANENT STATE POSITION AT SALT AND  
MORE WILL PROBABLY BE REQUESTED. IN ADDITION, THE SALT  
BUILDING IS ALSO HOSTING THE STANDING CONSULTATIVE COMMISSION  
OF SALT AND IS BEING USED FOR OTHER ARMS CONTROL  
NEGOTIATIONS, SUCH AS THE RECENT SESSION OF THE COMPREHENSIVE  
TEST BAN NEGOTIATIONS, SCHEDULED TO RESUME IN GENEVA  
OCTOBER 3. SALT ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS AT GENEVA

WERE HANDLED FOR SEVERAL YEARS BY THE SALT SECURITY OFFICER WITH THE HELP OF AN ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT. THE ADMIN-

ISTRATIVE ASSISTANT POSITION WAS ABOLISHED TWO YEARS AGO. SINCE SALT ADMINISTRATIVE RESPONSIBILITIES HAVE BEEN STEADILY GROWING, IT IS NO LONGER POSSIBLE FOR THE SECURITY OFFICER TO CONTINUE TO CARRY OUT THE SALT ADMINISTRATIVE DUTIES IN ADDITION TO HIS SECURITY FUNCTIONS.

3. THE PROPOSED OFFICER SLOT WOULD PROVIDE ADMIN SUPPORT FOR THE PERMANENT SALT STAFF, THE SALT DELEGATION, THE STANDING CONSULTATIVE COMMISSION AND OTHER ARMS CONTROL DELEGATIONS THAT MAY BE LOCATED IN THE SALT BUILDING. OFFICER HIMSELF WOULD REQUIRE TDY ASSISTANCE FROM ACDA WHEN ADDITIONAL ARMS CONTROL DELEGATIONS ARE IN GENEVA. ACDA POINTS OUT THAT THE ADDITION OF A RESIDENT SALT ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER WOULD FREE THE SALT SECURITY OFFICER TO SPEND MORE TIME ASSISTING THE REGIONAL SECURITY OFFICER AT THE U.S. MISSION IN GENEVA, AN OBJECTIVE DESIRED BY THE DEPARTMENT'S OFFICE OF SECURITY. THEY PLAN TO FILL THE POSITION WITH AN FSO WHO HAS GENERAL SERVICES EXPERIENCE ON REIMBURSABLE DETAIL TO ACDA.

4. ACDA IS REQUESTING RESIDENT POSITION FOR SECRETARY TO THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY OF THE SALT DELEGATION BECAUSE WITH THE PATTERN OF SALT NEGOTIATIONS NOW CHANGED TO UNCLASSIFIED

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VIRTUALLY CONTINUOUS SESSIONS, IT IS NO LONGER FEASIBLE TO MEET THE NEEDS OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY OF THE DELEGATION WITH A TDY SECRETARY. THE INCUMBENT OF THE PROPOSED POSITION WOULD ALSO SERVE AS SECRETARY TO THE RESIDENT POLITICAL OFFICER AND, AS REQUIRED, TO THE SALT ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER. IF THIS POSITION IS APPROVED, ACDA WILL REQUEST THE DEPARTMENT TO PROVIDE A FOREIGN SERVICE SECRETARY ON REIMBURSABLE DETAIL TO ACDA FOR SERVICE IN GENEVA.

5. BOTH POSITIONS REQUESTED WOULD BE FUNDED BY ACDA, HAVING BEEN INCLUDED IN THE AGENCY'S BUDGETED PERSONNEL CEILING. THE INCUMBENTS WOULD BE LOCATED IN THE SALT BUILDING IN GENEVA. ACDA WOULD LIKE TO HAVE THEM ON THE JOB BY DECEMBER 1977 OR JANUARY 1978.

6. ACTION REQUESTED: WOULD APPRECIATE COM COMMENTS ON ACDA'S PROPOSAL FOR AN INCREASE IN MODE CEILING, IN LIGHT OF CURRENT USG RESOURCE STRINGENCIES FOR OVERSEAS ACTIVITIES. CHRISTOPHER

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